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A short Account of the most considerable News, Foreign and Domestick.

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From the Evening Post, May 29. 1722.

Since our last we had a Mail from France, and one from Holland, and one from Flanders
Paris, June 5.

THE Baggage of the King, of the Marshal de Villeroy, and others has been sent to Versailles: His Majesty having declared on the 29th of last Month, That he is resolved to lie there the 15th Instant.

Copenhagen, May 26. M. Westphalen our Envoy at Petersburg, writes; That the Russian Men of War cannot possibly sail from their Harbours because of the Ice, which yet floats on those narrow Seas; so that the late Report of some of them being at Bornholm was wholly groundless. In the Mean-time, the Frigate, and the Advice Yacht, that were lately sent hither, are ordered to cruise there continually, in order to bring Advice as soon as they descry the Russian Ships in those Seas.

Rome, May 16. The Motions of the Imperial Troops in Italy, the Arrival of many German Officers, and the landing Spanish Troops, with Provisions and Ammunition at Portolongone, has much increased our Uneasiness, and occasioned Reports of an independent War.

Paris, May 29. They write from Marseilles, That three of the Streets are barricaded up, the Government is going to send Troops to block up that City, and others to encompass Avignon where the Distemper increases. The Contagion is also broke out anew at Alais.

Hague, June 4. 'Tis talked that the States have appointed the several Regiments which are to be sent to England if Occasion is.

Milan, May 13. Here is Advice, That the Emperor demands of the Duke of Modena the use of his Capital for a Place of Arms. His Imperial Majesty having Occasion for it on account of the Understanding there is between the Duke of Parma and the King of Spain. Two Ships loaded with Corn belonging to the Duke of Parma have been seized on the Po, by the Imperialists. A Person of Note was a few Days ago, dispatched from hence with a weighty Commission to the Court of Turin.

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From the St. James's Evening Post, May 26.

London, May 26. The Earl Cadogan continues to view the Camp in Hyde Park every Morning.

Next Wednesday their Royal Highnesses will go to their Seat near Richmond, the necessary Orders being given for that Purpose.

Last Thursday the Spanish Ambassador was at Court. A House is fitting up in King's-street, near St. James's Square, for the Reception of Count Staremberg, his Imperial Majesty's Envoy, who is daily expected here.

Last Wednesday Night, Mr. Johnston, who was taken by two of his Majesty's Messengers, was examined before a Committee of Council, and remained in Custody.

On Thursday Night, Mr. Philp the Printer, his Wife, and Servants, who had been some time in the Custody of Messengers, on account of the Pamphlet, called the Advantages accruing to England by the Hanoverian Succession, &c. were committed to Newgate for a high Misdemeanour.

We hear from St. Albans, That a young Woman, going over some ploughed Lands near that Town, found a Diamond; for which hath already been offered 500*l*.

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Paris, May 26. We hear that two of the four Men of War they are fitting out at Brest, are to convey an Ambassador to Constantinople; and the other two are to Cruize upon the Pyrates. 'Tis given out that the Pope uses his outmost Endeavours for preventing the breaking out of the War in Italy.

Copenhagen, May 26. Our Fleet, the Major part of which, is now in our Road, is to consist of 22 Ships of the Line, 8 Frigates, and 2 Fire ships. Here is Advice from Sweden, that no Fleet is fitting out in that Kingdom.

Hamburg, May 29. According to Letters from Molcow, the Porte has sent to the Emperor of Russia great Protestations of Friendship and Affection, and moreover assured his Majesty, that the Ottoman Generals on the Frontiers of Russia shall have Directions to assist the Russian Troops near the Caspian Sea, if they should stand in need of it. The same Letters give us the following Account of the Scheme of the Czar's intended Expedition: His Forces are to be transported from the Port of Feresky to that of Dorbent in Georgia, in order to possess themselves of the latter, and afterwards of two others, viz. Kantafroy and Tacak, from thence proceed thro' Bulgaria to Cobull, a noted Place near the River which abounds with Gold, but by the Way they must subdue the Fortrefs Terabeth, which they say is very strong. 'Tis talked here, that the Russian Minister at Stockholm has received Orders to declare first to the King, and after to the Council, That if they delay calling together the Diet of the Kingdom, and so put off settling the Pretensions of the Duke of Holstein, he (the said Minister) should be recalled from that Court, and afterwards greater Advantages will be insisted upon for that Duke.

Hague, May 31. 'Tis talked, that in case 3000 Men of our Troops should be transported to England, the like Number of the Troops of Hanover

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Hanover will come into this Country if desired, but 'tis hoped there will be no Occasion for any such Motions.

Paris May 29. Both the Government and Nobility threw daily a World of Civility to the Spanish General, the Marquis de Lede.

Cambray, May 30. The Lord Polwarth, Plenipotentiary of Great Britain, is preparing a very Sumptuous Entertainment against the approaching Birth Day of the King his Master, and hath already invited to it, all the other Plenipotentiaries, and also several other Persons of Distinction of both Sexes.

London, May 26. We don't hear that his Majesty has as yet declared his Intentions of going to Hanover this Summer, 'tis generally believed he will not.

Yesterday the Tents of Lieutenant General Tatton and Brigadier Russell were put up in the Camp in Hidepark.

Wednesday Evening Mr. Johnston was examined at the Secretary's Office, and again last Night. He appears to be a Nonjuring Minister of the Church of England, formerly of Dublin, where he was charged with preaching Seditious Sermons.

From the London Gazette, May 26.

St. James's, May 25. The following humble Address having been transmitted to the Right Honourable the Lord Townshend, one of his Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, has by him been presented to his Majesty, who was pleased to receive it very graciously.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty.

The humble Address of the Lord Provost, Magistrates, and Town Council of the City of Edinburgh.

May it please your Majesty,

W I T H Hearts full of Gratitude for the tender Care your Majesty shews towards your faithful Subjects of this City, and with Indignation against the Enemies of your Majesty and of our Prosperity, we receive the Intimation which your Majesty has been pleased to make to us, of a wicked Conspiracy for raising a Rebellion against your Majesty in favour of the Popish Pretender.

We render humble and hearty Thanks to Almighty GOD, who has always so remarkably appeared for your Majesty's just Right and Government, that your Majesty got timely Notice of these Hellish Machinations, and has been directed to proper Measures for defeating them; and that the Authors thereof neither are, nor will be supported, nor even countenanced by any Foreign Power.

It is astonishing to us, that Men should be found so very perverse, as to be desirous of exchanging the Happiness of Liberty for the despicable State and Misery of Slavery; of parting with that inestimable Blessing, the Reformed Religion, for the gross Absurdities, the Superstition and Idolatry of Antichristianism; which must be the unavoidable Consequences of fetching from Rome a Disciple and Votary of the Pope's, to be King of a Protestant Nation, one bred up in the destructive Arts of Arbitrary Power, to rule over a People who justly esteem the Law to be their best earthly Inheritance.

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Every honest Heart is filled with Abhorrence of so wicked an Attempt to disquiet your Majesty's Government, and to disturb your Subjects in enjoying and improving their Happiness under it, and we hope it will have no other Effect, but more firmly unite all faithful and loyal Britons that for ever laying aside all private Differences and Contentions, they may still be more Zealous in asserting and maintaining your Majesty's Right, and that of your Royal Posterity, and thereby, through the divine Blessing, render inviolable their own Rights both Sacred and Civil.

None in your Majesty's Dominions have more Reason than your loyal Subjects of Scotland, vigorously to oppose the Enemies of the Protestant Interest. Their Spite against our Church is so peculiar, that laying aside the vain Pretences whereby they endeavour in other Matters to delude the Simple, they openly boast of their impious Intentions to destroy it, and to deprive us of the happy Establishment of the Doctrine, Worship and Government of the Church of Scotland, which we by Law enjoy in your Majesty's Reign, and which through the great Mercy and Goodness of GOD to this Church and Land, have been transmitted to us by the Faithfulness and Sufferings of our Ancestors.

Your Majesty's Good City of Edinburgh had the Honour to exert themselves at the late unnatural Rebellion in Defence of your Majesty's Crown and Government, and nothing has been able to frighten or discourage us from our Loyalty to your Majesty and duty to our Country: And as we most humbly beg Leave, on this Occasion, to assure your Majesty with the greatest Faithfulness and Truth, That we are ready to do our utmost to support your Majesty's Throne, against the Pretender and his Adherents, with that Firmness which becomes Men who have Motives so strong as Religion towards their GOD, Loyalty to their Prince, and Love to their Country and Posterity.

That your Majesty and your Royal Protestant Family may so long as the Earth endures, Reign gloriously over a happy free Protestant People, is the most fervent Prayer of,

May it please your most gracious Majesty;

Your Majesty's most faithful, most loyal,
and most obedient Subjects:

Signed by Order, and in the Name of the Magistrates and Council of the City of Edinburgh, by

Jo. Wightman, Provost.

An humble Address of the Lord Lieutenant and Custos Rotarum, Deputy Lieutenants and Justices of the Peace of the County of Worcester, having been transmitted by the Right Honourable the Earl of Coventry, to the Right Honourable the Lord Carteret, one of the Principal Secretaries of State, has by him been presented to his Majesty.

An humble Address of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Corporation of Shrewsbury, has been presented to his Majesty by Orlando Bridgeman, Esq; introduced by the Right Honourable the Lord Carteret, one of his Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State.

An humble Address of the Bailiffs, Burgesses, Gentlemen, Clergy, and Principal Inhabitants of the Borough of Tewksbury, in the County of Gloucester, has been presented to his Majesty by the Right Honourable the Lord Viscount Gage, introduced by the Right Honourable the Lord Viscount Townshend.

Which Addresses his Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously.

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From the Weekly Journal, May 28.
 They write from Leghorn, that the reported there, that the Men of War are preparing with a great deal of Diligence at Brest, 5 at St. Malo, and 5 at Toulon, which are immediately to join the Spanish Fleet.
Wye's Letter, verbatim, May 29, 1722.

THEY write from Paris of the 3d of June, That Marshal Villars set out thence a few Days before the Date, for his Seat of that Name: Whether the Occasion of his Retiring from Court was from some Discontent, is not said; but this is certain, that he has refused to permit the Tribunal of Marshals of France to be held in his Hotel, during the Time that the Marshal de Villeroy will be with the King at Versailles, where His Majesty proposes to be in 12 Days Time from the Date.

'Tis said the Pope has sent two Brieves to France, the first of which empowers His Most Christian Majesty to choose a Confessor to his own Likings; and the other empowers the Grand Almoner of France to be Bishop of the Court.

From Madrid 'tis advised that Colonel Stanhope, Minister of Great Britain, has been for several Days in Conference at Aranjuez with the Ministers of that Court; but 'tis thought the Affair relating to Gibraltar, which has been so much talked of, will be amicably adjusted.

In the mean time the Spaniards go on with their Preparations, in all Appearance, for re-entring upon a War in Italy; where some Princes, 'tis said, have entred into a Confederacy against the House of Austria, whose Yoke seems not agreeable to them.

From Francfort, of the 23d Instant, they write, That the French continue filling their Magazines in Alsace and other Places with all kind of warlike Stores, and are likewise remounting their Cavalry: Which Proceedings give great Umbrage to the neighbouring Princes, who keep themselves upon their Guard. The Deputies of the Circles of the Upper Rhine continue their Conferences, in order to regulate the Military Establishment and put them on a good Footing.

After all the Noise and Confusions which we have been in on account of a Plot, there is now a Piece of News much to the Satisfaction of the Nation, which is, His Majesty has been graciously pleased to declare, that he will not go Abroad this Summer.

Yesterday being the King's Birthday, when he entred into the 63d Year of his Age, there was a splendid and numerous Appearance of the Nobility and Gentry at Court, to compliment his Majesty on that Occasion. In the Evening there was a magnificent Ball and an extraordinary Consort of Music. The Birth-song was performed by Mr. Hughes, Mr. Gate, and a Youth belonging to the Chapel. Besides the Park and Tower Guns, the Artillery in the Camp at Hyde Park were fir'd three times round; and the Forces, both Horse and Foot, being drawn out on the Front, made three running Fires from the Right Wing to the Left.

This being the Anniversary of the Restauration of King CHARLES II. the same was observed here suitable to such a solemn Occasion, by all true Lovers of the established Church.

Ensign Dolbin, whom we lately mentioned to be confined to his Tent, for uttering some Expressions reflecting on the Ministry in relation to the Plot, had his Commission taken from him Yesterday.

We cannot but very much wonder, especially considering how many Persons of Distinction are taken up in Scotland and Ireland, that People should talk so indifferently of the Conspiracy, and to hear that some of them go so far, as to lay Wagers that none of them will be executed.

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The Reverend Mr. Williams of White Chapel, in his Sermon this Day at St. Olives, Old Jury, took notice of the great Providence of God in Restoring the Royal Family and the whole Constitution, as that it ought to be commemorated: And after tracing the Conduct of the Usurper *Oliver Cromwel*, and the Behaviour of the Dissenters in the Murder of the King, and the Destruction of the Church and State, observed, That they did all this with a Shew of Religion, and fought against their lawful Sovereign for the Glory of God, &c. And expressed his Surprize that they, after so many Villainies, should be tolerated. Lastly, He pressed the Auditors to be on their Guard against their Enemies.

The Prussian Ambassador is about to purchase for his Master the Library of the late Earl of Sunderland, valued at £. 20000.

The King designing not to go this Summer to his German Dominions, 'tis believed, that the Things which were sent away, previous to his Majesty's Journey, will be suddenly brought back.

The Printer and Publisher (but not the Author) of the Freeholder's Journal are taken into Custody, and closely confined, for some Reflections against the Government in that Paper of Wednesday last. Mr. Bunt a Romish Priest is taken into Custody. South Sea Stock 93.

A D V E R T I S E M E N T S.

TH E Meadow called Straiton's Meadow, lying near the City of Edinburgh, to the South of it; containing about Fifty five Acres of improvable Ground, commodiously Situate, and having a large House and Brewery built thereupon: Is to be let in Tack for a long Term of Years, to commence from Martinmas next. Such as have a Mind to take a Lease of the said Ground, may see the Conditions in the Hands of John Dinn at the Town Council-chamber, and will find the Magistrate ready to treat with them. N. B. Bruntsheld-links are to be let at the same Time.

*† The Lands and Barony of Ensterfield, comprehending the Lands of Windmillhill, East Miln; Miln; Miln Lands and others, with the third Part of the Lands of Gelleths, near the Burgh of Dumfermling, lying within the Parochine thereof, and Sheriffdom of Fife, belonging to Philip Anstruther now of Ensterfield, paying of yearly Rent 178 Bolls Bear, 102 Bolls weighted Meal, at eight Stone per Boll, 38 Bolls 2 Firlots Oats, and 8 Bolls grind Malt, and 1000 Merks Money Rent, with a fine large House, Office-houses, Gardens and Orchyards, two Dovecoats, Planting, Parks, Meadows, and about 13 or 14 Dozen of Kain, and other Conveniencies, are to be exposed to voluntar Roup and Sale, upon Friday the 22d of June next, in the House of Patrick Herdman Vintner in Edinburgh, over against the Parliament Closs, between the Hours of 3 and 4 in the Afternoon: The Rental of the said Estate and Deductions therefrom, with the Conditions of Roup, are to be seen in the Hands of John Lumisden Writer to the Signet, at his writing Chamber in Miln's Square, opposite to the Tron Church. As also, that there are two Lodgings, being the fourth and fifth Stories of the great Stone Land at the Head of Gray's Closs, on the South Side of the Street of Edinburgh, belonging to the said Philip Anstruther, and paying both of yearly Rent 21 L. Sterling, are also to be exposed to voluntar Roup, upon Tuesday the 26th of the said Month of June next, in the foresaid House and Time.

*† That there is a Parcel of excellent fresh Spaw Water new come home, sold at 14 sh. Ster. the Dozen, by Henry Massie near the Foot of Black-Frier Wynd.

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